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OF THE

SEVENTIETH SESSION OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, SOUTH.

HELD IN CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA, BEGINNING ON WEDNESDAY MORNING, NOVEMBER, 25TH, 1857.

The Conference met, Nov. 25, at nine o'clock, A. M., in the Court House, and was opened with the exercises of a Prayer-meeting, conducted by Rev. Robert Paine, Presiding Bishop.

The Secretary of the last Conference called the roll and one hundred and three members answered to their names.

Paul A. M. Williams was elected Secretary, and the usual committees appointed for the session. The Conference continued its sessions during Thursday, Nov. 26th, Friday Nov. 27th, Saturday, Nov. 28th, Monday, Nov. 30th, Tuesday, Dec. 1st, Wednesday, Dec. 2nd, and Thursday, Dec. 3d, Bishop Paine presiding.

Its daily sessions were opened with the customary religious services.

After the usual Disciplinary Questions had been answered and the reports of the various literary and benevolent institutions connected with the Conference had been received, and the other usual business of the Conference had been transacted, the

ce adjourned with the Benediction from the Bishop on Thursday, at half past nine o'clock, P. M.

The following pages contain all the items of public interest.

Rev. Robert Paine, D. D., *Bishop*, Aberdeen, Mississippi.
Rev. Paul A. M. Williams, *Secretary*, Orangeburg, S. C.

Question I. *What Preachers are Admitted on Trial?*

John W. Abernathy, Augustus R. Bennick, Manning Brown, Richard Dagnall, Wesley W. Graham, Henry D. Moore, William C. Power, Van Buren A. Sharp, Fletcher Smith, Augustin W. Walker, Abram N. Wells. 11.

Question II. *Who Remain on Trial?*

James M. Cline, William J. E. Fripp, Edward G. Gage, Joel H. Gleason, Evan A. Lemmond, Francis M. Morgan, Jonathan L. McGregor. 7.

Question III. *Who are Admitted into Full Connection?*

George K. Andrews, William S. Black, Andrew J. Evans, Samuel J. Hill, John W. Murray, Rufus Randolph Pegues, John W. Puett. 7.

Re-admitted—T. Sumter Daniel. 1.

Question IV. *Who are the Deacons?*

Minton A. Connelly, John W. Crider, William A. Hemingway, S. Barksdale Jones, F. Milton Kennedy, Jesse S. Nelson, Alexander B. Stephens, Eugene W. Thompson, Caspar E. Wiggins, who were ordained last year, and George K. Andrews, William S. Black, Andrew J. Evans, Samuel J. Hill, John W. Murray, Rufus R. Pegues who were ordained this year. 15.

Question V. *Who have been elected and ordained Elders this year?*

Jacob S. Connor, Joshua T. DuBose, Lewis M. Hamer, Basil G. Jones, Daniel A. Ogburn, John W. Puett. 6.

Question VI. *Who have Located this year?*

None.

Question VII. *Who are the Supernumeraries?*

Charles Betts, A. B. McGilvray, A. P. Martin, J. T. Munds, G. W. Stokes, A. W. Walker. 6.

QUESTION VIII. *Who are the Superannuated or worn-out Preachers?*

Henry Bass, J. L. Belin, David Derrick, A. M. Forster, W. S. Haltom, W. J. Jackson, H. E. Ogburn, W. C. Patterson, Reddick Pierce, Hartwell Spain, Joel W. Townsend. 11.

QUESTION IX. *Who have been Expelled from the Connection this year?*

Julius J. Fleming.

QUESTION X. *Who have Withdrawn from the Connection this year?*

None.

QUESTION XI. *Are all the Preachers blameless in life and conversation?*

Their characters were strictly examined by calling over their names severally before the Conference.

QUESTION XII. *Who have died this year?*

Charles S. Walker was born in Charleston, S. C., on the 22d Jan., 1815. At the Young Men's Prayer-meeting he was brought to know himself a sinner, and to feel his need of a personal interest in the Saviour. He was happily converted to God on the 30th September, 1830. In the ardour of his early love he gave himself fully to his Master's work, and ere he had attained his legal majority, in the freshness of his youth he forsook the house of his father to encounter the toil and privation of a Methodist Preacher's life. He was admitted on trial into this Conference in the beginning of 1834, and sent to Black Swamp Circuit. In 1835 he travelled the Walterboro circuit. In 1836 and '7 he laboured on the Pocotaligo mission; in 1838 on the Rockingham circuit; in 1839 on the Combahee and Ashepoo mission; in 1840 on the Black River circuit; in 1841 in Fayetteville; in 1842 in Yorkville; in 1843 in Brunswick circuit; in 1844, '45 and '46 on the Black River and Pee Dee mission; in 1847 on the Wadesboro circuit; in 1848 on the Black River and Pee Dee mission; in 1849 and '50 on the Darlington circuit; in 1851 and '52 on the Wadesboro circuit; in 1853 on the Newberry circuit; in 1854 on the Abbeville station; in 1855 he was made Supernumerary and stationed in Spartanburg; in 1856 he was Agent for Wofford College, and at our last Conference was appointed for the present year to Spartanburg circuit. He entered upon the duties of his last appointment with his accustomed zeal and devotion. Indeed the fidelity with which he endeavoured to perform his duties was probably the cause of his death. For several years he had complained of an affection of the throat, and his exposure to the severe weather of the last winter in

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meeting his engagements on his circuit brought on an attack of which he died on the 18th January last.

He was a man of stern integrity, sound judgment, and high moral courage, and to those qualities may be added great simplicity and purity of character. In our Conference he was an efficient member of the Joint Board of Finance and the confidence reposed in him by his brethren was shown, by his election as a Trustee to two of our institutions of learning. His well-spent life was followed by a peaceful death. In his last illness, he gave assurances of an unshaken trust in God, and he has left to his family and to the church the richest legacy—the remembrance of his virtuous life, and unspotted character.

Question XIII. *What Numbers are in our church in the bounds of the Conference.*

[See annexed tables.]

CIRCUITS, STATIONS AND MISSIONS.	Local Elders.	Local Deacons.	Licentiates.	Whites in full connection.	Whites on probation.	Colored in full connection.	Colored on probation.	Amount raised for Missions.	Amount raised for Sunday Schools.	Schools.	Officers & Teachers.	White Scholars.	Colored Scholars.	Volumes in Library.	Visitors Taken.	Amount raised for Tract cause.	Amount raised for Conference Collections.	For Bible Cause.
CHARLESTON DISTRICT.																		
*Cumberland,				156	18	1179	187	381 44	110 45	2	49	185	500	790			125 00	
*Trinity,	1			289	10	1642	196	653 00		2	35	89		1487	105		150 00	
*Bethel,	1			170	6	1200	405	518 26	38 00	2	38	130	200	1200		159 20	106 60	
*St. James,		2		160	10	246	104	44 50	40 00	2	15	150	12	400	150		40 00	
Cooper River Circuit,	3	3	7	528	48	722	33	146 30		5	15	90		127			60 00	
Cypress Circuit,	4	1	1	664	6	672	43	275 50		5	25	150					103 25	
St. George's Circuit,	2			525	28	405	39	114 08		7	25	146		177		35 00	100 00	
Walterboro Circuit,	2			676	160	680	113	298 70	17 40	10	47	217		397		65 80	196 75	
Black Swamp Circuit,		1	2	265	25	347	54	312 00		3	10	60					202 00	
Cooper River Mission,						706	269	324 00					370					
St. Andrew's Mission,				18		145	205	189 50					70					
St. George' & St. Paul's Miss.				33	24	103	110	162 00					114					
Pon Pon Mission,						484	120	535 00					165					
Ashepoo and Combahee Miss.						861	90	900 00										
Prince William's Mission,				4		173	35	288 00					150		1			
Savannah River Mission,				1		532	123	565 00					200					
Okatee Mission,				22		179	14	95 00										
Edisto and Jehossee Miss.						501	109	340 00										
Beaufort Mission,				11		267	98	130 00										
Allendale Circuit,				166	17	155	35	89 00	16 00	3	14	45	45	150	15	47 00	65 00	
	13	7	10	3688	352	11199	2382	6361 28	221 85	41	273	1262	1826	4728	271	307 00	1148 60	

*The Churches in the City of Charleston contributed $159 20 to Tract Cause.

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GEORGETOWN DISTRICT.																		
Georgetown, - - -	1			161	64	887	229	324 00	15 00	2	11	50	50	325	42	10 00	101 00	62
Santee Mission, - - -						804	84	320 00					310					
Sampit Mission, - - -						140	22	510 00					400				7 50	
Black River & Pee Dee Miss.	1			88	18	1359	100	549 00					467		12	10 00	29 18	
Black River Circuit, - -		1		532	153	823	92	390 00	32 00	8	39	177		634	26	5 00	65 00	
Black Mingo Mission, - -				8		265	47	159 00					200					
Lynchburg Circuit, - -	1		2	289	18	175		61 00		2	12	51		250			24 00	
Darlington Circuit, - -	1	8	2	924	330	722	211	192 00	50 00	13	84	324		1475	16	1 00	124 00	
Bennettsville Circuit, - -	2	2	2	1093	115	748	61	629 44	106 00	13	67	455	254	1376	6	38 70	100 00	
Society Hill Mission, - -					6	113	12	140 00					330					
Marion Station, - - -	2		1	140	19	153	71	200 00		1	14	57	12	450			50 00	
Marion Circuit, - - -	3	13	4	1188	181	669	67	402 00		12	69	366		630			81 00	
Liberty Chapel Mission, -				25		163	66	302 05	5 00	1	4	25		30	10		1 00	
Conwayboro Circuit, - -	1		7	626	80	246	43	85 00	29 00	11	48	279		500	5	8 00	56 25	
Waccamaw Mission, - -				39	7	504	188	441 20										
Upper Waccamaw Mission, -				119	42	10	11	25 00		1	7	40		76				
Sumter Station, - - -		2	1	200	17	490	56	159 25	30 00	1	12	100	75	400	15	53 00	50 00	
Sumter Circuit, - - -	2	3		563	50	1197	86	265 50		1	8	34	1				145 40	
	14	29	19	5995	1100	9468	1446	5254 44	267 00	66	375	1958	2099	6146	132	125 70	834 33	62

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COLUMBIA DISTRICT.																		
Washington St. Station,	1	1		237	78	552	251	626 07	28 00	2	31	220		950	100	100 00	175 00	
Marion St. Station,		1		103	34	95	12	230 00	37 07	1	18	130		700	40	38 45	75 00	
Congaree Mission,				13	2	349	68	133 40					290					
Columbia Circuit,	1		1	372	83	102	30	78 50		4	21	107		600			33 40	
Richland Fork Mission,	1			43	23	265	59	581 40					150		26			
Barnwell Circuit,				123	18	160	8	32 80									25 98	
Blackville Circuit,				408	53	365	24	216 15		5	35	153		582			116 84	
Orangeburg Circuit,	4	2	3	658	63	660	190	343 00		2	8	35				30 00	105 00	
Lexington Circuit,		2	3	432	135	393	111	61 40		2	8	45					39 50	
Santee Circuit,	1	1	1	352	33	550	19	112 00		7	7	100	30	310			41 50	
Upper Santee Mission,				33	3	569	56	175 32										
Fairfield Circuit,			1	319	11	379	21	183 75	10 00	5	32	280		500		27 60	75 00	170
Chester Circuit,				405	34	371	49	250 25	31 25	6	37	218		600			74 00	
Winnsboro Circuit,	1		1	173	17	516	108	63 00	18 00	3	10	41	40	150		33 50	54 00	
	9	7	10	3671	587	5326	1006	3087 04	124 32	37	207	1329	510	4392	166	229 55	815 22	170

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COKESBURY DISTRICT.																		
Cokesbury Circuit, - -	3		2	459	38	516	69	342 28	13 60	5	39	206		400		38 50	100 00	
Abbeville Circuit, - -	3	2		415	40	769	100	300 00	12 00	5	25	150			12	88 10	100 00	
Edgefield Circuit, - -	4	2	1	802	107	961	91	329 45		10	44	297		425		116 15	116 08	
Graniteville Mission, -				95		1		206 00		1	8	65		200			13 00	
Aiken Station, - - -	1		1	23	1	100	5	14 00	8 04	1	8	28		200			14 00	
Newberry Station, - -				48	3	290	26	78 50		1	10	50		250		38 70	25 00	
Newberry Circuit, - -	2	1	1	700	25	850	30	359 25	4 00	1	24	155				106 80	100 00	
Union Circuit, - - -	1		1	708	43	358	78	418 80	40 00	19	92	502	100	1455	40	78 00	200 00	
Tiger and Enoree Mission,						200	124	382 20					500					
Laurens Circuit, - -	1	1	2	715	12	440	30	210 00		7		90		275		74 20	50 00	
Greenville Station, -				81	5	210	59	75 00	140 00	1	10	40		900		24 15	25 00	
Greenville Circuit, -	1	2	1	626	34	116	13	150 00		8	61	424					42 35	
Anderson Circuit, - -	3	5	5	877	68	372	20	202 00		8	44	283		276	20	51 65	31 00	
Pickensville Circuit, -	1	2		298	16	17		61 85	2 75	5	15	140					5 00	
Jocassee Mission, - -				155	20			50 00		2	20	75					17 00	
Pickens Circuit, - -	2		2	245	72	32	4	51 00		5	15	70		50			5 00	
Walhalla Mission, - -			1	100	8					3	13	50						
	22	15	17	6347	492	5277	649	3230 33	220 39	82	428	2625	600	4431	72	616 30	843 43	

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CHARLOTTE DISTRICT.																		
Charlotte Station,	1			155	8	164	12	78 00	35 00	1	11	65		470	40		35 00	
Charlotte Circuit,				938	194	457	109	133 00		12	60	305		755		6 50	12 50	
Concord Circuit,				543	117	436	56	162 79		7	52	355		1030			25 00	35
Albermarle Circuit,		1	2	647	31	94	20	149 80		11	60	339		325			15 75	
Wadesboro' Station,	1			127	12	114	15	40 00						200		7 00	15 00	80
Wadesboro' Circuit,		4	2	905	124	485	160	475 93	5 00	5	25	184	30				60 90	
Chesterfield Circuit,		1	3	430	69	284	81	110 00		4	20	89			7		13 00	
Camden Station,	1			102	9	310	34	231 62	28 85	1	13	57		975	50	28 20	57 00	
Wateree Mission,				31	2	943	162	568 50					909					
Lancaster Circuit,				299	42	442	181	177 07	50 00	4	17	150					50 80	
Catawba Mission,				9		193	56	128 00					200					
Cheraw Station,				108	7	187	68	111 10	31 05	1	16	60	7	250			40 00	
Monroe Circuit,		2	2	817	88	273	17	274 00	13 00	17	77	516		1100			50 00	
	3	8	9	5111	703	4382	971	2639 81	162 90	63	351	2120	1146	5105	97	41 70	374 95	115

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SHELBY DISTRICT.																		
Spartanburg Station, - -	2		2	285	3	160	17	202 40	100 00	5	39	275	40	1250	100	52 00	50 00	
Spartanburg Circuit, - -	2	1		570	50	130	14	98 00		8	42	155					28 70	
Upper Broad River Mission,*																		
Yorkville Station, - -			1	77	46	94	67	61 70	12 00	1	11	95		500		340 00	14 50	2
Yorkville Circuit, - -		1		281	69	272	105	43 00		5	20	153					25 00	
Lincolnton Circuit, - -	3		3	957	143	461	103	100 00	30 00		72	582		1443	20		25 00	75
Shelby Circuit, - - -	1	1	4	582	60	101	20	140 00	16 00	7	35	250		650		20 00	25 70	
Rutherford Circuit, - -	3			743	149	355	78	124 50		5	42	144		420		65 10	31 40	
Catawba Circuit, - - -		3	4	1130	140	200	35	130 00	15 00	13	71	600		800	35	69 00	5 00	
South Mountain Mission, -				175	101		6	78 55		4	14	75						
Lenoir Circuit, - - -		2	2	695	57	175	35	45 00		6	50	269		340			24 50	
Morganton Circuit - -		4		926	109	550	30	148 00	18 60	15	58	437		361	10	5 00	40 00	
Columbus Circuit, - -				291	48	69	7	51 50		1	7	40				5 00	15 00	
	11	12	16	6712	975	2567	517	1222 65	191 60	70	461	3075	40	5764	165	556 10	284 80	77

*The Report of this Mission is incorporated with the report of the Spartanburg Circuit.

RECAPITULATION.

DISTRICTS.	LOCAL ELDERS.	LOCAL DEACONS.	LICENTIATES.	WHITES IN FULL CONNECTION.	WHITES ON PROBATION.	COLORED IN FULL CONNECTION.	COLORED ON PROBATION.
Charleston, - - -	13	7	10	3688	352	11199	2382
Georgetown, - -	14	29	19	5995	1100	9468	1446
Columbia, - - -	9	7	10	3671	587	5326	1006
Cokesbury, - - -	22	15	17	6347	492	5277	649
Charlotte, - - -	3	8	9	5111	703	4382	971
Shelby, - - -	11	12	16	6712	975	2567	517
Total, 1857, - -	72	78	81	31524	4209	38219	6971
Total, 1856, - -	77	75	74	31104	4173	36746	6610
Increase,		3	7	420	36	1473	361
Decrease,	5						

Question XIV. *What amounts are necessary for the Superannuated Preachers and the Widows and Orphans of Preachers, and to make up the deficiencies of those who have not obtained their regular allowance on the Circuits?*

$7,715 00.

Question XV. *What has been Collected on the foregoing accounts and how has it been applied?*

$4,313 05: and divided among thirty-three claimants, as provided for in the Discipline.

Question XVI. *What has been contributed for the support of Missions? What for the publication of Tracts and Sunday School Books! What to aid the American Bible Society, and auxiliaries.*

For Missions, $24,035 28. For Tracts and Sunday School Books, $3,064 41. For the Bible Society, $424 00.

Question XVII. *Where are the Preachers stationed this year?*

Charleston District—*Wm. P. Mouzon*, P. E.

Charleston—Cumberland, *James Stacy.*
" Trinity, *John T. Wightman.*
" Bethel, *William H. Fleming.*
" St. James, William A. Hemingway.

Cooper River Circuit, *William W. Jones*, William J. E. Fripp.
Cooper River Mission, *George W. Moore.* One to be supplied.
Cypress Circuit, *Daniel [illegible]ay.*
St. Andrew's Mission, To be supplied.
St. George's and St. Paul's Mission, *Abram Nettles.*
St. George's Circuit, *James T. Kilgo.*
Walterboro Circuit, *David W. Seale.* One to be supplied.
Pon Pon Mission, *William A Clarke.*
Ashepoo Mission, *Frederick Rush.*
Combahee Mission, *Martin L. Banks*, Edward G. Gage.
Prince William's Mission, *William Hutto.*
Bamberg Circuit, *Hugh A. C. Walker, George W. Stokes*, Supernumerary.
Allendale Circuit, *William Crook.*
Black Swamp Circuit, *Lewis M. Hamer*, William C. Power.
Savannah River Mission, *John D. W. Crook*, Richard Dagnall.
Bluffton Mission, *Samuel Leard.*
Beaufort Mission, *John R. Coburn.*
Edisto and Jehossee Mission, *Charles Wilson.*
Benjamin Jenkins, Missionary to China.

GEORGETOWN DISTRICT—*Abel M. Chrietzberg*, P. E.

Georgetown, *Dennis J. Simmons, Charles Betts*, Supernumerary.
Santee Mission, *A. H. Harmon*, C. E. Wiggins.
Sampit Mission, *Thomas Mitchell.*
BlackRiver and Pee Dee Mission, *J Wesley Miller*, Andrew J. Evans
Black River Circuit, *Wesley L. Pegues.*
Black Mingo Mission, *William Carson.*
Lynchburg Circuit, *John H. Robinson.*
Darlington Circuit, *George W. M. Creighton*, John W. Murray.
Bennettsville Circuit, *Paul F. Kistler*, James M. Cline.
Society Hill Mission, *Israel P. Hughes.*
Marion Circuit, *Aaron G. Stacy.*
Marion Circuit, *Simpson Jones*, Francis M. Morgan.
Liberty Chapel Mission, *Allen McCorquodale.*
Conwayboro Circuit, *Osgood A. Chrietzberg, William B. Currie.*
Waccamaw Mission, *John A. Minick.*
Upper Waccamaw Mission, George K. Andrews.

COLUMBIA DISTRICT—*Whatcoat A. Gamewell*, P. E.

Columbia—Marion Street, *Archibald H. Lester.*
Columbia—Washington Street, *Claudius H. Pritchard.*
Congaree Mission, *Nicholas Talley.*
Columbia Circuit, *David D. Byars.*
Richland Fork Mission, *Alexander L. Smith.*

Barnwell Circuit, *Edmond A. Price.*
Blackville Circuit, *Alexander B. Stevens.*
Orangeburg Circuit, *Paul A. M. Williams, Daniel A. Ogburn.*
Lexington Circuit, *Martin Eaddy,* One to be supplied.
Santee Mission, *Joshua T. DuBose.*
Upper Santee Mission, *Abram P. Avant.*
Fairfield Circuit, *Jackey M. Bradley.*
Chester Circuit, *Miles Puckett.*
Winnsboro Circuit, Manning Brown.
Sumter, *John A. Porter.*
Sumter Circuit, *Bond English.*
Aiken Circuit, *William E. Boone.*
Graniteville Mission, *William W. Mood.*
Samuel Townsend, Agent for Tract Cause.
William Martin, Agent for Columbia Female College.

COKESBURY DISTRICT—*Robert J. Boyd,* P. E.

Cokesbury Circuit, *John W. North.*
Abbeville Circuit, *Colin Murchison.*
Edgefield Circuit, *John R. Pickett.*
Butler Circuit, *T. Sumter Daniel.*
Ninety Six Circuit, *William H. Lawton.*
Newberry, *Cornelius McLeod.*
Newberry Circuit, *Thomas Raysor,* Wesley W. Graham.
Union Circuit, *William A. McSwain,* Henry D. Moore.
Tiger River and Enoree Mission, *John Finger.*
Laurens Circuit, *John A. Mood,* Van Buren A. Sharp, *A. P. Martin,* Supernumerary.
Greenville, *F. Asbury Mood, A. B. McGilvray,* Supernumerary.
Greenville Circuit, *Jacob S. Connor.*
Anderson Circuit, *Robert P. Franks,* William S. Black.
Pickensville Circuit, Augustine W. Walker.
Jocassee Mission, To be supplied.
Pickens Circuit, Joel H. Gleason.
Walhalla Mission, *John H. Zimmerman.*
S. Barksdale Jones, and *J. Wesley Wightman,* Rector and Classical Teacher in Cokesbury Institute.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT—*Sidi H. Browne,* P. E.

Charlotte, *Elias J. Meynardie.*
Charlotte Circuit, *Lewis M. Little,* J. L. McGregor.
Concord Circuit, *John Watts.*
Wadesboro, F. Milton Kennedy.
Wadesboro Circuit, *Marcus A. McKibben,* R. Randolph Pegues.
Cheraw, *Louis A. Johnson.*
Chesterfield Circuit, *Edward J. Pennington.*

Monroe Circuit, *Lewis Scarbrough*, John W. Abernathy.
{ Camden, *Hilliard C. Parsons.*
{ Wateree Mission, *Jacob L. Shuford*, E. A. Lemmond.
{ Lancaster Circuit, John W. Crider.
{ Catawba Mission, *Andrew J Cauthen.*
Tracy R. Walsh, President of Carolina Female College.

SHELBY DISTRICT—*John W. Kelly*, P. E.

Spartanburg, *William C. Kirkland.*
Spartanburg Circuit, *Basil G. Jones, Alexander W. Walker*, Supernumerary.
Broad River Mission, To be supplied.
Yorkville Mission, *Osgood A. Darby.*
Yorkville Circuit, *Landy Wood.*
Shelby Circuit, Eugene W. Thompson.
Lincolnton Circuit, *James S. Ervin*, One to be supplied.
Lenoir Circuit, *Fletcher Smith.*
{ Catawba Circuit, *Joseph Parker.*
{ South Mountain Mission, To be supplied.
{ Morganton Circuit, *George W. Ivey.*
{ John's River Mission, To be supplied.
McDowell Circuit, Jesse S. Nelson.
Rutherford Circuit, *Abner Ervin*, Augustus R. Bennick.
Columbus Circuit, Minton A. Connelly.
William M. Wightman, President of Wofford College.
Whitefoord Smith, Professor in Wofford College.
Charles Taylor, President of Spartanburg Female College.
Joseph Cross, Professor in Spartanburg Female College.
Henry H. Durant, Agent of Spartanburg Female College.
Henry M. Mood, President of Davenport Female College.
Albert M. Shipp, Professor in the University of North Carolina.
Robert W. Burgess, Suspended from the Ministry for one year.

QUESTION XVIII. *Where shall the next Conference be held?*

In Charleston, S. C.

The Rev. Tracy R. Walsh, was appointed to preach the Annual Sermon before the Junior Preachers.

CONFERENCE INSTITUTIONS, RESOLUTIONS, COMMITTEES, Etc.

SOUTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE MISSIONARY SOCIETY,

AUXILIARY TO THE MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, SOUTH.

CONSTITUTION.

Article I. This Society shall be denominated "The Missionary Society of the South Carolina Conference, Auxiliary to the Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South."

Article II. The object of this Society shall be to assist the Parent Society to extend its Missionary labours in the United States and elsewhere.

Article III. The business of this Society shall be conducted by a President, two Vice Presidents, a Recording and Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer and nine Managers, who shall be annually elected by the Society, all of whom shall be members of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

Article IV. At all meetings of the Board of Managers it shall require five members to form a quorum.

Article V. The Board shall have authority to make By-laws for regulating its own proceedings; and shall annually submit a report of its transactions and funds to the Society; and shall inform the Conference of the state of its funds.

Article VI. The Treasurer shall hold the funds of the Society, subject to the Drafts of the Bishop, in accordance with the Second Article of the Constitution.

Article VII. Each subscriber paying $1 annually shall be a member of this Society; and the payment of $10 shall constitute a member for life.

Article VIII. The Annual Meeting of this Society shall be held sometime during the session of the Conference, at the discretion of the Board of Managers.

Article IX. The President, Vice Presidents, Secretary and Treasurer, shall be ex officio members of the Board of Managers.

Article X. At all the meetings of the Society, the President, or in his absence, one of the Vice Presidents, or in the absence of both Vice Presidents, such member as shall be appointed by the meeting shall preside.

Article XI. The Minutes of each meeting of the Society shall be signed by the President and Recording Secretary.

Article XII. The Constitution shall not be altered, but by a vote of two-thirds of the Annual Conference, at the recommendation of the Board of Managers.

BY LAWS.

I. The Managers shall meet annually, at such places as may be appointed for the Annual Conference, on the day previous to its sitting.

II. At all meetings of the Board, the President, or in his absence, the Vice President, or President *pro tem.*, shall take the chair at the hour appointed; shall preserve order, and appoint committees; and shall, also, have authority to appoint extra meetings of the Board.

III The Secretary shall keep a correct journal of the minutes and proceedings of the Board, and attend all its sittings when practicable, and, in case of absence, transmit the records of the Board to the place of meeting.

IV. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to keep a correct account of receipts and expenditures, which hall be submitted with the necessary vouchers to an auditing committee to be appointed by the Board at each annual meeting

V. The Board shall hold a meeting on a day not later than the seventh of the Conference sessions, at which the Treasurer shall be required to furnish a statement of the funds; and the Board shall thereupon notify the Presiding Bishops of the amount for which Drafts may be made the ensuing year.

The Board of Managers held their annual meeting in accordance with the First By Law of the Society. The Board met in the Town Hall at Charlotte, N. C , at nine o'clock, A. M., of Tuesday, Nov. 24th. The following is an abstract of the Reports of the different Missions presented to the Board.

Cooper River Mission, served by Rev. G. W. Moore, who reports 11 preaching places, 603 in full membership, 240 on trial, and 370 catechumens.

Pon Pon Mission, served by Rev. W. C. Kirkland, who reports 13 plantations served, 484 members in full connection, 120 on trial, 165 catechumens, among a population of 1500

St. George's Mission, served by Rev. Abram Nettles, who reports 10 plantations served, 6 preaching places, 103 colored in full connection, 110 on probation, and 114 catechumens, 33 whites in full connection, and 24 on probation.

Society Hill Mission, served by Rev I. P. Hughes, who reports 5 preaching places, 16 plantations served, 6 whites and 113 colored in full connection, and 62 colored on probation, 330 catechumens, among a population of 2500.

Beaufort Mission, served by Rev. J. R Coburn, who reports 6 churches, 267 in full connection, 98 on trial, and 239 children catechised.

Edisto and Jehossee Mission, served by Rev. Charles Wilson, who reports 9 plantations served, 7 preaching places, 581 church members, 43 on probation, and 150 children catechised.

Congaree Mission, served by Rev. N. Talley, who reports 13 whites in

full membership, and 2 on trial, 349 colored in full connection, 68 on trial, and 292 catechumens.

Upper Broad River Mission. A Mission to the whites, and reported as a field of promise.

St. Andrew's Mission, served by Rev. A. R. Danner, who reports 145 blacks in full connection, 205 on trial, 18 whites in full connection, and 70 colored catechumens.

Prince William's Mission, served by Rev. Wm. Hutto, who reports 9 plantations served, 7 preaching places, 4 whites in full connection, and 172 colored. On trial 35 colored and 150 catechumens

Santee Mission, served by Rev. J T. DuBose and Caspar E. Wiggins, who report 22 preaching places, 804 colored in full connection, 384 on trial, and 310 catechumens.

Sampit Mission, served by Rev. Thos. Mitchell, who reports 8 plantations served, 140 members in full connection, 22 on trial, and 350 catechumens, among a population of 1200.

Black River Mission, served by Rev. J. W. Miller, who reports 10 preaching places, 1359 in full connection, 100 on probation, 467 catechumens, among a population of 3000.

Liberty Chapel Mission served by Rev. John A. Mood, who reports 7 plantations served, 7 preaching places, 25 whites and 163 colored in full connection, 66 colored on trial, and 75 catechumens. He also reports 1 Sabbath-school for the whites, with 1 superintendent, 4 teachers, 25 scholars, and 30 volumes in the library.

Black Mingo Mission, served by Rev. G. W. Stokes, who reports 9 plantations served, 6 preaching places, 8 whites and 265 colored in full connection, 47 colored on trial, and 200 catechumens.

Waccamaw Mission, served by Rev. J. R. Minick, and J. L. McGregor who report 12 preaching places, 39 whites and 504 colored in full connection, 7 whites and 88 colored on trial, and 239 catechumens.

Upper Waccamaw Mission. This mission is principally to the whites, and was served by Rev. G. K. Andrews, who reports 119 whites, 42 colored in full connection, and 10 whites on trial, 1 Sabbath-school, with 1 superintendent, 6 teachers, 40 scholars and 6 volumes in library.

Richland Fork Mission, served by Rev. A. L. Smith, who reports 43 whites and 265 colored in full connection, 23 whites, 70 colored on trial, and 150 catechumens.

Graniteville Mission is a mission for the whites ; was served by Rev. W. W. Mood, who reports 95 whites and 1 colored in full connection, a Sabbath-school with 8 officers and teachers, 65 scholars and 200 volumes in library.

Tiger River and Enoree Mission, served by Rev. John Finger, who reports 6 preaching places, 25 plantations served, 200 colored in full connection, 124 on trial, and 500 catechumens, among a population of 4000.

Upper Santee Mission, served by Rev. W. Carson and S Owens, who report 8 public churches, 83 whites and 569 colored in full connection, 3 whites and 56 colored on probation and 200 catechumens.

Jocassee Mission, to the whites, served by Rev. L. Scarbrough, who reports 13 preaching places, 115 whites in full connection and 20 on trial.

Walhalla Mission, served by Rev. J. H. Zimmerman, who reports 100

whites in full connection and 8 on probation, 3 Sabbath-schools with 13 officers and teachers and 50 scholars.

Wateree Mission, served by Rev. J. L. Shuford, who reports 9 preaching places, 30 plantations served, 31 whites and 932 colored in full connection, 168 colored on trial and 909 catechumens.

Catawba River Mission, served by Rev. A. J. Cauthen, who reports 6 preaching places, 15 plantations served, 9 whites and 193 colored in full connection, 56 colored on trial and 200 catechumens, among a population of 2000 or 2500.

South Mountain Mission, served by Rev. A. Stamey, who reports 15 preaching places, 175 whites in full connection and 101 on trial, among a population of 1500.

The Anniversary meeting of the Society was held at Charlotte, N. C., in the Presbyterian Church on Saturday evening Nov. 28th. The meeting was opened with religious services by Rev. Tracy R. Walsh, the President Dr. Wm. M. Wightman in the chair. The annual Report of the Board of Managers was read as follows:

The Board of Managers submit to the Missionary Society of the South Carolina Conference the following

REPORT.

For some years past the successes of our Society have formed the subject of our reports. Cheered by the prosperity that has attended our labours, with pecuniary resources annually increasing, showing that the interest of the Church in the cause of missions was steadily advancing, while the labours of our Missionaries were crowned with the happiest results, and new fields of enterprise were opened before us, it has been our privilege to rejoice together over the mercies of God, and our anniversary meeting has been a high festival. The same causes for joyful thanksgiving continue to exist, and the Board congratulate the Society on the present prosperous condition of the Missions under its care.

But it may be well for us at times to recur to the great principles which form the basis of our operations, and renew our purposes to prosecute this god-like work by considerations drawn from these sources. The elemental principles upon which the Missionary enterprise rests, are the moral necessities of the world, the adaptation of the Gospel to the moral wants of mankind, the will of God that the Gospel should be given to the world, and His purpose to employ human instrumentality to effect this design. The progress of the world in civilization, and arts and science, does not in the least degree abate its need of the Gospel. Man is a sinner; and whether he be the uncultivated barbarian or the refined Greek, whether the Sabean idolator or the civilized Pantheist, he is still a sinner. Christian philanthropy is not to be blind to his religious destitution, however he may himself be unconscious of his wants, and fancy himself "rich and increased with goods, and having need of nothing." Nor is it, through any sickly sentimentality, to be unwilling to arouse him from his fatal delusion, to awake him from the stupor which, if undisturbed, can issue only in death. Upon the Christian is devolved the duty of dispelling this

delusion, and startling the ear of the slumberer with the mighty cry, "Awake ! thou that sleepest, and arise from the dead, and Christ shall give thee light." So Paul recognized himself "debtor both to the Greek, and to the Barbarian, both to the wise, and to the unwise." And if the land of Homer, of Pericles, and of Plato, was Missionary ground, for the Apostle, if, among the splendors of its architecture, its sculpture and its painting, he found a people whose moral destitution demanded Missionary labour, we may well conclude that our attainments in letters or in arts cannot satisfy the wants of our nature in the absence of evangelical truth. And so in our own day the Missionary of the Cross finds as ample a field for unwearied labour in the proudest capital of Europe, whose polished population gratify their taste in the galleries of the Louvre, as in the dark lands of Eastern idolatry, or

> "In Lybian groves, where damned rites are done,
> That bathe the rocks in blood and vail the sun."

But dark as is the picture which the moral condition of the world presents, the gloom is alleviated by the consideration that the Gospel is adapted to the necessities of the world—that it is capable of redressing all its wants and all its woes—that it is the divinely-revealed remedy for all its moral disorders. Though the valley be full of bones, and the bones be very dry, yet Christian faith reposes with unshaken confidence up n the power and promise of God, assured that these dry bones can live. The past achievements of the Gospel leave no doubt of its sufficiency to meet the existing demands upon its renovating power. What it did in ancient times in the cities of Ionia, and Achaia, and Macedonia, and Lydia, in Crete, and in Cyprus, and in later days in Europe and America, it is still able to do in all the lands of the earth and in the Islands of the sea. It has demonstrated its suitableness to the various powers of pol tical government, to the circumstances of social organization, and to all the wants of individual man, from the frigid to the torrid zone.

Nor is its suitableness to the necessities of mankind the only ground of encouragement. It is the will and purpose of God that it shall be given to the world. Unlike the dispensation which preceded it, it was not intended only for a peculiar people, isolated from the rest of mankind. Its promises were not to the offspring of a single family, or restricted to the boundaries of a single land. Its proclamation of good-will and mercy was to a sinful world. To the world was the Rede mer sent, for the world did the Redeemer die, and the world was embraced in the commission which the Redeemer gave to His apostles. The promises of God are indicative of H s pu pose, and these promises declare that He will give to His Son the heathen for His inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for His possession, that "the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the Lord, as the waters cover the sea." With such assurances as incitements to effort, the Christian should yield to no discouragements, for "if God be for us, who can be against us ?"

In connection with these provisions of the Divine mercy, it has pleased God to make instrumental to the accomplishment of his will, the all-pervading principles of mutual dependence and sympathy. Man has been

honoured to be a co-worker with God. It has not pleased Him to employ angelic agency for the conversion of the world. No flaming Seraphim are the preachers of salvation, but men of like passions with ourselves. Bound together by the ties of a common origin, the sharers of the sad effects of a dire apostacy, pilgrims alike through the same wilderness, and objects of the same atoning sacrifice, we are permitted and exhorted to strengthen the bonds of our brotherhood by aiding in the deliverance of our fallen race. Even Christ himself assumed the nature of the sinner that he might become his Saviour, the "minister of the true tabernacle which the Lord pitched and not man." And from the day of his ascension until now, the same human nature has been the chosen agent in human conversion. Peter in Jerusalem, and Paul in Athens, and Augustine in Africa, and Luther in Germany, and Calvin in France, and Wesley in England, and Asbury in America, all have been partakers of the same common nature with ourselves. Their ministry, which God made eminently successful, was the same ministry with ours. And we may anticipate the like results if we manifest the same fidelity and zeal. Though we have this treasure in earthly vessels, yet it has pleased God to manifest his glory through them in a constantly increasing crowd of rejoicing converts. The fields white unto the harvest still invite the reaper's hand, and he that reapeth, receiveth wages and gathereth fruit unto life eternal.

During the year just closing 27 missions have been served by this Society, under the ministry of 33 Missionaries, who report a church membership in full connection and on probation of 1266 whites, and 11,026 colored persons; while 190 white children are taught in Sunday-schools, and 6,682 colored children are regularly catechised. The Board recommend the division of the Combahee and Ashepoo mission, and the establishment of a new mission in the Shelby District, to be called the John's River Mission.

In reviewing the operations of the year, the Board unite with the Society in devout thanksgiving to God for the abundant blessings which have crowned their labors.

All which is respectfully submitted.

After the reading of the Report the meeting was addressed by Hon. James D. Treadwell, of Columbia, Bishop Robert Paine, of Mississippi, Dr. E. H. Myers, of Georgia, and Dr. Joseph Cross, of the S. C. Conference, after which the usual collections were taken up, and the annual election for Officers entered upon, resulting as follows:

Wm. M. Wightman, D. D., President; Charles Betts, 1st Vice President; H. A. C Walker, 2nd Vice President; W. A. McSwain, Secretary; Charles Taylor, M. D, Treasurer; R J Boyd, W. A. Gamewell, A W. Walker, S. H Browne. T. R. Walsh, W. H. Fleming, N. Talley, H. M. Mood, J. T. Wightman, Managers.

Mission Committee—H. A. C. Walker, R. J. Boyd, J. Stacy, C Betts, N. Talley. To draft the annual Report of the Board of Managers—Rev. James Stacy.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

FOR THE YEAR 1857.

CHARLES TAYLOR Treasurer, in account with the Missionary Society of the S. C. Annual Conference.

November, 1857. DR.

To collections as follows:

CHARLESTON DISTRICT.

Charleston—Cumberland, by Rev W P Mouzon: from whites 136 45, col 191 24 white S S. 30 65, col 23 10	$ 381 44
Trinity—by Rev J T Wightman: pub col 128 07, white S S 102 17, col S S 44 00, col'd col 253 58, Miss McKay 5 00, col fem miss soc 130 18, of which 20 is to con Rev J T Wightman l m par soc	663 00
Bethel, by Rev W H Fleming	518 26
St James, by Rev W A Hemingway	44 50
Cooper River ct, by Rev E J Pennington: 146 30, of which 80 is to con Rev L M Little and Lady, Mrs Adelaide Warksley and Mrs Mary Ann Crook, lm's par soc	146 30
Cooper River miss, by Rev G W Moore: Hon Jas Gadsden, 100, W P Ingraham, 20, Dr Tennant 10, Est Dr Deaze 10, Dr Groves 10, P Gourdin 20, Dr Prioleau 20, Dr Huger 20, Hon A Huger 10, J Venning Esq 50, W P Ingraham Esq 20, O Harlston Esq 5, pub col 27 85	324 85
St Andrew's miss, by Rev A R Danner: E Sebring 20, J Wilks 15, W Ravenel 10, W Pringle 10, A Brown 10, J E Smith 10, H A Middleton 10, others 75, pub col 19 50	189 50
Cypress ct, by Rev W H Lawton	280 50
St George's and St Paul's miss, by Rev A Nettles: R LaRoche 20, Mrs M S Waring 20, Mrs Wilkins 20, Hon R S Bedon 25, G Tucker 15, E Callan 61, J Callan 5, R Callan 5, D F Driggers 5, T Peoples 7, P Messervy 2, J Platt 1, J Broker 1, J Wood 1, collections 19	162 00
Pon Pon miss. by Rev W C Kirkland: Col Lewis Morris 150, Est Dr G W Morris 50, Hon J Berkeley Grimball 40, H H Manigault 40, Hon H S King 50, Jas King 35, Hon J S Ashe 25, J C Meggett 25, Chas Baring 25, Est J E Allston 25, J C Whaley 20, Est K B King 15, D J Wilkinson 15, W E Simmons 10, S King 10	535 00
St George's ct, by Rev J J Kilgo	114 10
Walterboro ct, by Rev W W Jones	298 70
Ashepoo and Combahee miss by Rev P A M Williams	900 00
Prince William's miss, by Rev W Hutto: Capt W Heyward 150, James N Branda 10, V Mellard 3, T M Hanckel 100, H M Stuart 20, Mrs F E Copeland 3, col col 2	288 00
Black Swamp ct, by Rev S Leard	312 00
Allendale ct, by Rev L Bellinger	89 00
Savannah River miss, by Rev J D W Crook: A S Izard 100, J J Pringle Smith 60, Est Robt Smith 60, Est J M Chisolm 50, John Rutledge 50, Jos Manigault 50, J J Smith 40, Est Henry Taylor 30, M M King 30, H Rose 25, F Hardee 10, T Hardee 10, W H Heyward 5	565 00
Oakatie miss, by Rev A J Green: W Ferribe 35, Est Ferribe 45, W Howard 10, J Dawson 5	95 00
Beaufort miss by Rev J R Coburn: (names not reported.)	130 00
Edisto and Jehossee miss, by Rev C Wilson: Ex Gov Aiken 150, J J Mikell 100, W Edings 50, E C Bailey 40	340 00

GEORGETOWN DISTRICT.

Georgetown, by Rev L M Hamer: pub col 189 72, of which 20 is to make Mrs M E W Roquie. l m par soc, miss prayer meeting 15 48, col'd col 118 80, of which 60 is to con Rev W T Capers and Rev L M Hamer and lady l m's par soc	324 00
Black River ct, by Rev W L Pegues	380 00
Lynchburg ct, by Rev J H Robinson	61 00
Darlington ct, by Rev A McCorquodale	198 00
Bennettsville ct, by Rev H M Mood: Bennettsville 151, Beauty Spot 58 75,	

Boykins 55 25, Parnassus 22 56, Smyrna 17 00, Hebron 84 75, St Johns 56 50, New Hope 34 30, Oak Grove 20 33 Quicks 4 35, Pine Grove 38 00, Level Green 24 50, Caledonia 35, Pleasant Hill 17 15, others 10..... 629 44

Marion ct, by Rev L M Little; 402 00, of which 5, is for China and 5 for Kansas..... 402 00

Marion sta, by Rev D J Simmons..... 200 00

Conwayboro ct, by Rev D W Seale 95, of which 10 is for China, and 10 for Indian Missions..... 95 00

Sumter sta, by Rev A G Stacy..... 159 00

Sumter ct, by Rev B English..... 265 50

Santee miss, by Rev J T Dubose: J H Ladson 75, Hon E Frost 30, W H Mayrant 30. Mrs S H Mayrant 30, Maj R Lowndes 20, Mrs E Pinckney 20, S D Door 10, Wm Lucas 30, Mrs H P Rutledge 25, Est Mrs Huggins 20, Dr Cor es 20, Jas H White 10, at con 20..... 340 00

Sampit miss, by Rev T Mitchell: Est Francis Withers through Dr A M Forster 300, by Jos B Pyatt 1 0, Jno F Pyatt 100, col people at Friendfield and Northampton plantations 10..... 510 00

Black River and Pee Dee miss, by Rev J W Miller: Mrs W Sparkman 25, Mrs Poinsett 15, J J Pringle 35, Chancellor B F Dunkin 100 Hon R F W Allston 50, F Weston 50, Chas Allston 50, Jno H Tucker 40, J R Easterling 25, Jno Exum 25, W H Trapier 20, Rev L A Grier 20, B M Grier 20, Mrs M Grier 20, E J Coachman 10, Mrs Lennereux 10, F Green 5, J J Hamlin 5, W K Grier 5, Miscellaneous 40..... 549 00

Black Mingo miss, by Rev G W Stokes: Wm Burrows 100, sundry persons 168. 268 00

Society Hill miss, by Rev I P Hughes: Col I N Williams 50. Hon Judge Evans 25, Col W Evans 25, Dr McLeod 15, Dr S H Pressley 5, E E Evans 20, a friend of missions 250, a friend 150..... 144 00

Liberty Chapel miss, by Rev Jno A Mood: Est J S Gibson 100, Dr R Harllee 5', Dr W R Johnson 50 50 Rev H McClenahan 25 Col R G Howard 20 Mrs A M Harllee 10, Dr S M Reynolds 10, Wm Collins 5, L S Bigham 5, A B Gordon 5, Geo Cusack 5, J M Smith 3, P O Cusack 5, pub col 10 55. 302 05

Wacc maw miss, by Rev J A Minick; Col W A Allston 100, Chas Allston 150, Est Nesbit 40, a friend 20, anothe 20, R H Nesbit 10, W Porter 10, J Parker 10, W Burgess 10, J E Head 3, other col 320, Mrs M H Pyatt 60, Mr Curton 5..... 441 20

Upper Waccamaw miss, by Rev G K Andrews..... 25 00

COLUMBIA DISTRICT.

Columbia—Washington st, by Rev C H Pritchard: monthly concert 34 58, annual sub 78 50, for treas debt 196 50, to con Hon J D Treadwell l m 20 May col 71 19 pub col at ann'y 45 15, S S 40 col'd cong 57 65, A Wallace Esq 100, a friend to Dom miss 2 50..... 626 07

Main st, by Rev O A Darby: S S 20 to con Miss Jane Reynolds l m par soc, 180, to con Mr John Cordero, Mr John Beard, Mrs Dr Reynolds, Miss Harriet Davis, Miss R Wade, and Master James Porter l m's par soc, col'd miss soc 30..... 230 00

Congaree miss, by Rev N Talley: Gen H Arthur 20, Miss N Arthur 10, Miss C Arthur 10, Miss K Arthur 10, J S Guignard 20, Maj J Lykes 15, W Denly 5, T Harris 5, Dr J T Desaker 5, Mrs Kirkland 8, Mrs Rowan 3, J Campbell 2, P Roach 2, Mrs S S Spigener 2, E Gilmore 2, Miss M Hay 50c, Miss L Hay 25c, Miss V A Hay 25c, J H Hay 25c, pub col 2 90.... 133 40

Columbia ct, by Rev D D Byars..... 78 50

Richland Fork miss, by Rev A L Smith: Dr S Taylor 100, G G rner 100, Rev M Brown 50, J H Ledingham 50, W D Gregory 50, Capt J W Adams 50, Mrs M R Singleton 25, Mrs C Kilingsworth 25, Rev A L Smith 25 to con Gilbert Garner l m par soc R Brady 20, R Joiner 20, Col A VanBuren 10, L Woodward 10, R Dunsford 5, T Baskins 5, C Rawlinson 5, B S Gibson 5, W F Turner 5, A Joiner 5, Miss E Ledingham 3, Miss E Furniss 3, J Parrett 2, Master P Joiner 25c pub col 8 15..... 581 40

Barnwell ct, by Rev E A Price..... 32 85

Blackville ct, by Rev E J Meynardie..... 216 15

Orangeburg ct, by Rev M L Banks..... 343 00

Lexington ct, by Rev J M Bradley: Concord 11 50, Mt Zion 10 50, Shiloh 9 00, Lexington C H 6 15, Providence 8 20, Granby 4 00, Horeb 3 60,

Nazareth 3 75, Hebron 2 45, Sharon 1 00, Dry Creek 75c, Smyrna 50c..	61 40
Upper Santee miss, by Rev W Carson: Capt J J Frierson 50, Gen P H Nelson 15, Est J M Nelson 15, Capt P G Benbow 15, J Boyd 15, W W Benbow 5, Mrs Richardson 5, Manchester 9, Rehoboth 9 25, Pine Log 9, col'd col 18 07	175 32
Fairfield ct, by Rev D McLeod	183 75
Winnsboro ct, by Rev J S Connor	63 00
Chesterville ct, by Rev S Townsend	250 25
Santee ct, by Rev A P Avant, 112 of which 20 is to con Rev Sherrod Owens l m par soc	112 00
COKESBURY DISTRICT.	
Cokesbury ct, by Rev A M Chrietzberg: May col 103, Union C M 199 28, fem miss soc at Cokesbury 40	342 28
Abbeville ct, by Rev C Murchison: J Lockhart 10, J M Latimer 10, R M Davis 10, Thos Hill for China 10, Maj G Groves 10, J Brownlee 10, Col H H Harper 10, W Young 10, F B Clinkscales 10, B D Key 5, J C Harper 5, Mrs M Magruder 5, Mrs M G Caldwell 5, Rev C V Barnes 5, W C Carley 5 J M Mosely 5, H Mosely 5, C T Latimer 5, S Baker 5, J Baker 5, R H W Hodges 5, J D Stalnacker 5, J M Latimer Jr 5, L H Oliver 5, W Speer 5, foreign miss H M Prince 5, Mrs C Murchison 5, twenty persons to con Rev W A McSwain l m par soc 20, miss'y prayer meeting at Abbeville 9, pub col 17 30 col'd col 13 70	300 00
Edgefield ct, by Rev J A Porter	329 45
Aiken, by Rev U S Bird	19 00
Graniteville, by Rev W W Mood	206 00
Newberry st, by Rev T S Daniels	78 50
Newberry ct, by Rev T Raysor	359 25
Union ct, by Rev S H Browne: Unionville 5 50, Sardis 1 75, Cane Creek 12 50 of which 5 for Indian miss, Rogers 13, Ebenezer 1, Zoar 40 50, Fish Dam 2? 50, Bogansville 4 95, Hebron 15 75, Tabernacle 23 40, Trinity 3 05, Grace Chapel 5 50, Belmont 41, Shiloh 9 70, Odele's 20 75 Mt Tabor 13, Flint Hill 31, Quaker 15, Wesley Chapel 1 15, Flat Rock 3 5, Bethlehem 2 55, New Hope 11 15, pub col 62 70, children 5 35	418 80
Tiger and Enoree miss, by Rev J Finger: Hon J P Kinard 75, J P Hill 20, Miss Ann Rice 5, J Rogers 2, J U Sims 5, S Tygart 5, Rev G B Tucker 15, Miss Cofield 50c, Mrs F S Dawkins 2 50, Dr J M Epps 25. Col R Moorman 10, W Kelly 5, Hon W H Gist 20, R S Chick 5, Col B G Rice 10, A R Aughtry 5, Gen J Rodgers 10, J F Sims 5, A S Shell 5, S Abram 1, J D Hipp 50c, S Atchison 1, J Mathis 50c, M Shell 1, W Ray 1 00, H Whitmire 5, Capt T Bowker 10. Mrs A B Rice 10, Dr W W Sims 5, T A Carlisle 10, Mrs A P Hardy 4, P W Chick 5, G Chaplin 5, T K Cofield 10, Gen H H Kinard 75, W Crooks 2, J Hamilton 1, col'd col 5 20.	382 20
Laurens ct, by Rev M Puckett	210 00
Greenville st, by Rev F M Kennedy	75 00
Greenville ct, by Rev W A Clark	150 00
Anderson ct, by Rev R P Franks	212 00
Jocassee miss, by Rev L Scarborough	50 00
Pickens ct, by Rev A L Smith	51 00
Pickensville ct, by Rev A B McGilvray	61 85
Walhalla miss, by Rev J H Zimmerman	65 00
CHARLOTTE DISTRICT.	
Charlotte st, by Rev J Stacy	78 00
Charlotte ct, by Rev G W M Creighton	167 85
Concord ct, by Rev J Watts	166 29
Albemarle ct, by Rev D May: Rehoboth 50c, Mt Carmel 4 25, (of which 1 for Indian miss) New Hope 4 05, Centre 42, Randles 8 45, Zoar 9 20, Bethesda 3, Stoney Hill 28, 75 Albemarle 28 80, Salem 8 15, Bethel 12 65, cash 20	150 00
Wadesboro st, by Rev L A Johnson	40 00
Wadesboro ct, by Rev M A McKibben	476 00
Camden st, by Rev W A Gamewell, subs and col 211 62, W A Gamewell and family 20	231 62
Cheraw, by Rev J R Pickett, 111 10, anonymous 10	121 10

Chesterfield, ct by Rev S Jones 110 of which 20, is to con Mrs M Chapman l m par soc..... 110 00
Lancaster ct, by Rev A B Stephens..... 177 07
Monroe ct, by Rev G W Ivy: Monroe 76 75, Jerusalem 6 40, Liberty Chapel 27, Pleasant Grove 16 50, Wesley Chapel 10, Shiloh 27 50, Waxhaw 36 15, Ararat 11, Union 15 25, Bethlehem 50c, Bethel 2 25, Rehoboth 8 45, Prospect 1, Pisgah 4 50, Zoar 16 25, Tabernacle 5, Zion 8 50, Antioch 1, cash 2..... 276 00
Wateree miss, by Rev J L Shuford: Maj J M Desaussure 75, Dr J Milling 25, Capt J B Mickle 25, Col J English 20, Col J Chesnut Sen 50, Hon J Chesnut 10, Dr W W McCain 20, W A Ancrum 15, T J Ancrum 15, J D Kennedy 30, T Lang 20, J Whitaker 5, Mrs S Ciples 50, T Shannon 20, B Boykin 30, Est of Doby 20, Mrs Boykin 15, J Saunders 5, S H Young and lady 10, J R McLeod 2, G W Jackson 1, J L Dickson 4, J J Lucius 5, W Dickson 1, F English 1, Mrs M K Black 10, Mrs H English 10, D D Hocott 10, D Dew 2, Miss E Young 1 90, P Sessions 5, J R Dye 1, A Young 2, W D Hogan 5, R Prescott 1, R Prescott 5, P C Sanders 5, W S Hogan 2, H H Evans 2, W E Ostean 2, J H McLeod 5, T D McLeod 2, J Gittis 1, W Christmas 1, W E Hughes 5, J Thompson 4, pub col 12 60..... 568 50
Catawba miss, by Rev A J Cauthen: Hon G M Witherspoon 25, Col J D Witherspoon 20, J S Thompson 20, F D Green 15, Capt J M Ingram 20, D W Brown 10, G T Wade 4, H Gouch 50c, J Bailey 1, pub col 12 50..... 128 00

SHELBY DISTRICT.

Spartanburg st, by Rev H H Durant..... 202 40
Spartanburg ct, by Rev J Parker..... 98 00
Yorkville ct, by Rev J W North..... 43 00
Yorkville st, by Rev A H Lester..... 61 40
Lincolnton ct, by Rev Landy Wood..... 102 00
Shelby ct, by Rev E W Thompson..... 140 00
Ruth rford ct, by Rev P F Kistler..... 124 50
Catawba ct, by Rev J W Puett..... 130 00
Lenoir ct, by Rev A Ervin..... 45 00
Morganton ct, by Rev J S Ervin..... 148 00
Columbus ct, by Rev B G Jones..... 51 50
South Mountain miss, by Rev A Stamey..... 78 50

MISCELLANEOUS.

Interest on Wofford legacy, by Dr Wightman..... 280 00
Estate N Bramlet..... 120 00
Interest on Mrs Simmons's legacy..... 70 00
Interest on Stock by Robert Bryce..... 20 00
Returned by Rev H A C Walker, appropriated, but not used..... 200 00

ANNIVERSARY COLLECTIONS AT CHARLOTTE, N. C

From Rev Dr Wightman and lady 50, to con Mrs J W Osborne and Miss Nancy Rutherford l m's, Rev H A C Walker 50, Rev S B Jones 50, Rev W M Lawton 45, G W Williams 50 to con Mrs J T Wightman l m, Rev W L Pegues 50, Rev J H Robinson 50, "A South Carolinian" 50, Revs H M Mood, Jno A Mood, W M Mood and F A Mood 50 to con, Mrs Laura A Mood, and Mrs Jas P Irvin l m's, Rev C Betts 25, Rev J S Belin 25, Rev N Talley 20 to con, Mrs M L Blackwood l m, Rev J T Wightman 20, Dr Whitefoord Smith 20 to con, Mrs Dr L G Jones l m, Robert Bryce 20 to con, Julia C Bryce l m, Rev S Leard 20 to con, Mrs J H Carson l m, Rev B English 20, Rev A M Shipp 20, Rev J R Picket 20 to con, Mrs Col Emmor Graham l m, Rev A W Walker 20 to con, Mrs Gen Young l m, Rev W Crook 20, Rev A McCorquodale and lady 40, Hon J D Treadwell 20 to con, J W Osborne Esq l m, Revs J Stacy and H C Parsons 20 to con, Rev Alexander Sinclair l m, Rev D Derrick and lady 20, Revs A G Stacy and C Murchison 20 to con, Mrs Dr E H Andrews l m, S M Stevenson and Rev D A Ogburn 20 to con, Mrs Taylor l m, Rev J W Wightman and Dr Miller 20 to con, Mrs Wilson l m, Rev's A J Cauthen 10, J W North 5, J T Ervin 5 to con, Mrs M Brown l m, Rev's J W Kelly, Manning Brown, W H Lawton and A H Lester 5, each to con, Miss J T Ervin l m, Rev Wm Martin 10, Rev W A McSwain 20 tocon, Miss H S McSwain l m, Rev J D W Crook 10, Rev L M Hamer 10, Rev R J Boyd 10, Rev R R Pegues 10, Rev W L Pegues 10, Rev M L Banks 10, Rev W C Kirkland 10, Rev F M Kennedy 10, Mrs C G Kennedy 10, Rev J W Miller 10, Rev W A Clark 8, Rev E J Pennington 7, Rev

Dr Cross 5, Miss Phebe Paine 5, Rev D W Seale 5, for indian missions, Rev J T Dubose 5, Rev J Finger 5, Rev S Townsend 5, Rev M Eaddy 5, Rev E J Gage 5, Rev J M Bradley 5, Dr W Smith 5, Cash 5, Rev O A Chrietzberg 5, Rev W P Mouzon 5, W J Levy 5, Rev J T Kilgo 5, Rev W Hutto 5, Rev W S Haltom 5, Rev B Hamilton 5, Rev S H Browne 5, Rev J W Parker 5, Dr Dunlap 10, Rev A H Harmon 5, Dr E H Andrews 5, Mrs D Gamewell 3, Rev G W Moore 2, Miss Mary Lee 1 for Indian miss, Rev's D D Byars 5, W W Jones 5, and R W Burgess 10 to con, Miss M T Mason 1 m, Rev W W Jones 10, Rev L M Little 5, Revs W S Black 5, Rev R R Pegues 4, W A Gamewell 2, T R Walsh 2, C Murchison 2, H M Mood 2, J W Kelly 2, M A McKibben 5, and D D Byars 5, to con, Hon J D Treadwell 1 m, Rev A J Evans 1, Hat col in church and in conf room $121 39. Total at anniversary.....$1362 39

RECAPITULATION.

Dr. To received, as follows:	
On Charleston District	$ 6,377 15
On Georgetown District	5,293 54
On Columbia District	3,087 09
On Cokesbury District	3,310 33
On Charlotte District	2,690 43
On Shelby District	1,224 35
On Miscellaneous	690 00
On Anniversary collections	1,362 39
Total	24,035 28

Cr. By paid out, as follows:	
By paid part of cost of Minutes of S. C. Conf	152 05
By paid printing Envelopes for Miss. money	2 00
By paid Rev E H Myers, Asst. Treas	16,769 64
By paid Rev W C Kirkland on Pon Pon mis	535 00
By paid J R Coburn on Beaufort miss	130 00
By paid Rev Dr R J Boyd, for Walhalla miss	65 00
By paid Bishop Paine's drafts 1st qr	4,950 00
Balance in hand	1,431 59
	$24,035 28

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JOINT BOARD OF FINANCE.

James Stacy, Chairman, A. M. Chrietzberg, Sec. and Treasurer, H. A. C. Walker, C. H. Pritchard, W. Martin, C. Murchison, W. A. M'Swain, of the Clergy, and J. D. Treadwell, Esq., Columbia, S. C., Joseph P. Smith, Esq., Wadesboro, N. C., George W. Williams, Esq., Charleston, S. C., S. M. Stevenson, Esq., Marion, S. C., Dr. J. H. Dogan, Unionville, S. C., and Dr. W. J. T. Miller, Shelby, N. C., of the Laity.

The Board held their usual meetings during the Conference session, and with the concurrence of the Conference adopted the following Financial Plan, and also the Assessments to be raised by the different stations, circuits, and missions of the Conference as follows:

FINANCIAL PLAN.

1. It shall be the duty of the Board, after ascertaining the whole amount of claim against them, annually to apportion the same to the several circuits and stations in the Conference district, and each preacher having charge of a circuit or station, shall furnish his successor with the amount apportioned to his charge.

2. Each preacher shall make all necessary efforts to collect the amount apportioned to his charge by the Board.

3. The preacher in charge of each circuit shall (at the close of the Conference year) fix the first appointment for his successor at the church nearest the Parsonage, (or place of boarding) and shall allow him thereafter at least one week to arrange for the year; during which time, (the day to be fixed the preceding year, by the preacher and stewards,) the stewards shall hold the first meeting at the Parsonage, or place of boarding, at which it shall be the duty of each steward to attend.

4. Each Board of stewards, respectively, shall ascertain the whole claim against the circuit for the current year, both for quarterage and travelling expenses, as definitely as possible; and they shall then make an estimate of the family expenses of the preacher, or preachers of the circuit, including servant's hire and house rent, (if a house be rented) and the entire claim against the circuit for the current year shall be apportioned to the several congregations composing the circuit forthwith; each congregation being notified immediately the amount it is expected to collect.

5. The stewards shall divide the congregations composing the circuit among themselves, and shall make all necessary efforts to collect the amounts apportioned to them.

6. It shall be the duty of the stewards to open subscription books in each congregation, to meet the current claim; and they shall, also, cause public collections to be taken up, if they deem it necessary, for the same purpose.

7. The stewards shall settle with the preachers quarterly, and to this end, the subscriptions shall be taken in quarterly instalments.

8. The Conference collections for the support of our superannuated preachers, widows and orphans of preachers, and to meet the claims of preachers deficient in quarterage, shall be taken up in each congregation, as early in the year as practicable.

9. The Board of district stewards shall be a standing board for four years: *provided nevertheless*, that should any vacancy occur in the Board, such vacancies shall be supplied by the Quarterly Conference; and each district steward shall be charged with collecting the amount apportioned for the Presiding Elder, to the circuit or station where he resides.

10. The Board of district stewards shall be charged with the work of supplying the district Parsonage with suitable furniture, and shall be authorized to take up collections for this object, in their respective charges.

11. Each member of the joint Board, and more especially the Chairman thereof, shall feel it his duty to be active in endeavoring to improve the financial condition of the church, by correspondence with the stewards of the several charges, by public addresses to the church at suitable times, or in any other way he may deem best.

12. The circuit stewards shall make arrangements early in the year, if they deem it necessary, to receive from the congregations assigned to them respectively, such provisions as they may be able to give, for the support of the preacher's family; which shall be delivered at the Parsonage at market prices, and shall be placed to the credit of the church sending it as family expenses.

13. The Board of stewards on their respective charges, are requested to co-operate with the ministers laboring among them, in securing the amount the charge has been requested to collect as Conference collection, by private application to our wealthier members, and if necessary, by public collections in the respective congregations.

14. The respective Boards of stewards shall have authority to retain any surplus Conference collection, to meet the deficiencies, if any, in the current expenses in the charge where it is collected.

15. The Missionaries are requested to solicit donations for the benefit of the superannuated preachers, the widows and orphans of preachers, together with the deficient effective preachers of the Conference from the white membership of the church under their care.

16. The Presiding Elders shall constitute a *standing* committee, to ascertain the names of claimants, and the amount of claim each has upon the funds managed by the Board, which information shall be placed in the hands of some member of the Board, during the first or second session of the Conference annually.

ASSESSMENTS OF THE FINANCIAL BOARD.

Charleston—Cumberland,	$125	00	Darlington Station,	50	00
" Trinity,	150	00	Darlington Circuit,	100	00
" Bethel,	125	00	Sumter Station,	50	00
" Spring Street,	25	00	Sumter Circuit,	150	00
" St. James,	50	00	Lancaster,	50	00
Walterboro	75	00	Cokesbury,	100	00
Bamberg,	75	00	Abbeville,	100	00
Allendale,	60	00	Ninety Six,	60	00
Black Swamp,	150	00	Anderson,	50	00
Cooper River,	75	00	Pickens,	25	00
Cypress,	125	00	Pickensville,	25	00
Orangeburg,	175	00	Union,	175	00
St. George's	100	00	Laurens,	100	00
Blackville,	75	00	Edgefield,	30	00
Barnwell,	30	00	Jocassee Mission,	25	00
Aiken,	25	00	Charlotte Station,	30	00
Butler,	50	00	Charlotte Circuit,	75	00
Lexington,	50	00	Concord,	50	00
Graniteville,	25	00	Albemarle,	25	00
Georgetown,	100	00	Wadesboro Station,	50	00
Black River,	60	00	Wadesboro Circuit,	125	00
Lynchburg,	50	00	Monroe,	50	00
Marion Station,	50	00	Yorkville,	25	00
Marion Circuit,	100	00	Yorkville Circuit,	25	00
Bennettsville,	125	00	Lincolnton,	60	00
Conwayboro,	75	00	Spartanburg Station,	50	00
Washington Street,	150	00	Spartanburg Circuit,	40	00
Marion,	75	00	Pacolet,	25	00
Columbia Circuit,	50	00	Greenville Station,	25	00
Newberry Station,	25	00	Greenville Circuit,	35	00
Newberry Circuit,	125	00	Columbus,	25	00
Fairfield,	75	00	Rutherford,	60	00
Winnsboro,	50	00	McDowell,	25	00
Chester,	100	00	Morganton,	40	00
Santee,	60	00	Lenoir,	40	00
Richland Fork Mission,	25	00	Catawba,	45	00
Camden,	50	00	Shelby,	25	00
Chesterfield,	40	00	South Mountain Mission,	25	00
Cheraw,	50	00	John's River Mission,	25	00

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND ADOPTED BY THE CONFERENCE.

The Committee on Education beg leave to report, in part: That a tender is made to the S. C. Conference, of the Davenport Female College, located at Lenoir, Caldwell co., N. C., to be held by the Conference in the same way in which the other Literary Institutions of the Conference are held. A handsome building, costing $10,000, on an imposing site, has been erected and paid for, and is nearly ready for service. The section of country where the College is located is flourishing and beautiful, and it is anticipated that a large patronage can be commanded. Application for a charter will be made to the Legislature of N. C. next winter. The

Committee on Education, after an interview with the gentlemen representing the College, take pleasure in recommending for adoption by the Conference, the following resolutions—viz :

Resolved, 1*st*, That the So. Ca. Conference of the M. E. Church, South, regarding with great interest the progress of liberal education, on christian principles, in the upper counties of No. Ca., hereby accept the tender of the Davenport Female College, at Lenoir, N. C., as one of the Literary Institutions under its control and patronage.

Resolved, 2*nd*, That the following members of the Conference and lay gentlemen be, and they are hereby constituted a Board of Trustees for the Institution aforesaid—viz :

Prof. A. M. Shipp, P. F. Kistler, Jas. S. Ervin, H. H. Durant, A. G. Stacy, the P. E. of the Shelby District, the Preacher in charge of Lenoir Circuit; and John Rutherford, J. C. Harper, Edmund Jones, James Harper, S. P. Dula, and Azor Shell.

Resolved, 3*d*, That the Board of Trustees thus constituted are hereby instructed to secure in the charter of incorporation, a section securing to the So. Ca. Conference the right of filling all vacancies that may hereafter occur in the seven first named members of the Board, by nomination and election by the South Carolina Conference.

The Committee beg leave also to inform the Conference that by a unanimous vote of the stockholders of the Spartanburg Female College, the stock has been transferred to the Board of Trustees, to be held hereafter in trust, for the purpose of sustaining a Female College in Spartanburg under the control and patronage of the So. Ca. Conference. As an amendment in the Charter of Incorporation will be necessary, the Committee recommend for adoption the following Resolution—viz :

Resolved, That this Conference concur with the Board of Trustees of the Spartanburg Female College, in applying at the present session of the Legislature of South Carolina for an amendment in the Charter, placing the Institution on the same footing with the other Literary Institutions under the supervision and patronage of the So. Ca. Conference.

The Committee on Education beg leave respectfully to report :

That they have condensed from the several statements and reports submitted to them the following summary of the condition and prospects of the institutions of learning, patronized by the S. C. Conference.

1. Wofford College. This Institution completed the third year of its operations, in July last. At the commencement held at that time, there were six young gentlemen graduated; and the occasion was one of special interest. The number of students at present matriculated and in the Preparatory Department amounts to ninety. The permanent fund of the College, which is judiciously invested, is $65,000. The prospect of distinguished usefulness for the College, is flattering. The government is mild but firm ; and the conduct as well as the scholarship of the undergraduates, is commendable. A gracious revival of religion during the past year brought into the communion of the church a number of the students—some of them young men of the highest promise. The Spring Term begins on the 3d Wednesday of January, and the 2d Wednesday

of July is Commencement day. The following gentlemen compose the Faculty : viz —The Rev. W. M. Wightman, D. D., President and Prof. of Moral and Mental Science. D Duncan, A. M., Prof. of Ancient Languages. Rev. W. Smith, D. D., Prof. of English Literature. J. H. Carlisle, A. M., Prof. of Mathematics W. Dupre., A. M., Prof. Natural Science. R. W. Boyd, A. M., Principal of the Preparatory Department.

2. The Cokesbury School. In this School, which is an Academy of the highest grade, there have been in attendance during the past year, eighty students. Of these nine are beneficiaries on the Holloway foundation. These are sons of superannuated, deceased, and other Preachers of this Conference. The resignation of the former Rector was received during the past Summer; and in his place the Rev. S. B. Jones was elected. His well known administrative talent, and his activity and devotion to his duties, are the pledge of enlarged prosperity to the School. He is assisted by the Rev. J. W. Wightman, A. M, Classical Teacher, and A. Turpin in the English Department. The Charter of Incorporation being about to expire, application has been made to the Legislature for a renewal.

3. The Carolina Female College. This Institution is located in Anson co., N. C. Its Faculty of Instruction is composed of the following officers : viz —Rev. T. R. Walsh, President; Mr. J. B. Gillam, Prof. of Natural Science ; Mrs. M Mendenhall, Assistant Instructress; Miss J. Graham, Music ; Miss S. A. Little, Assistant in Music The average number of pupils in attendance the past year has been about 58. The course of instruction is ample, and the progress of the young ladies, satisfactory A vigorous effort has been recently set on foot, for the relief of the financial embarrassments of the College,—upwards of four thousand dollars having been subscribed by six gentlemen of the vicinity. It is hoped by the Committee that this movement will be speedily and entirely successful ; and that a career of enlarged usefulness awaits the College.

4. The Spartanburg Female College This Institution has enjoyed another year of prosperity. The average number of pupils has been one hundred Their intellectual advancement has been satisfactory. The government of the College has been easy and pleasant ; and during the year a gracious religious influence has been realized. The President, Mr Tucker, having resigned his post, in pursuance of an intention to visit a distant part of the United States, the Rev. Dr Charles Taylor has been elected to fill the vacancy. The Rev. Dr. and Mrs Jane T. H. Cross have consented to serve in the Faculty ; and Prof. Hanes, from Va , fills the Chair of Mathematics and Natural Science. Prof's Blaisdale and Saunier have charge of the Music Department. The College will resume its exercises on the last Wednesday in February. The Board of Trustees respectfully ask the appointment of the Rev H. H Durant, as Agent.

5. The Columbia Female College. The Committee take pleasure in reporting the progress towards completion, of the splendid edifice now in course of erection, in a fine location in the city of Columbia. The

building has been enclosed and roofed, and presents already an imposing appearance. The Executive Committee deserve high praise for the energetic and yet cautious and well-considered measures they have adopted, in carrying on this important enterprise, in which posterity no less than the present generation, hold so precious an interest. To complete the building according to the contract, nearly $7000 will still be needed. To the liberality of the friends of Female Education, this Institution is earnestly commended. The Committee on Education trust that no effort will be spared in pressing on this noble undertaking to a successful and early completion; and that the gratifying success of the Agent during the past year may only be the augury of still larger success in the year to come. The trustees ask the re-appointment of the Rev. W. Martin, as Agent.

6. The Davenport Female College. This Institution which the S. C. Conference has taken under its patronage during the present session, will be ready to open its doors for the reception of pupils in the course of the ensuing year. It is located on a commanding site, in the suburbs of the beautiful village of Lenoir, Caldwell co., N. C., and will furnish educational facilities to an important section of the Conference district. The Rev. H. M Mood, A. M., has been elected to the Presidency. In this judicious choice the Committee heartily concur : and they commend the College to a liberal patronage.

The Committee beg to remind the Conference that the term during which the clerical members of the Board of Trustees of Wofford College hold office, having expired, a new election is proper during the present session.

It will appear from the foregoing statements, that the Methodist Church within the bounds of the S. C. Conference, is moving on to occupy a position worthy of her means and responsibilities, in the important work of mental training under religious control. It is due to the numbers and wants of the membership and friends of the Church, that this auspicious movement, so worthily begun, and so manifestly sanctioned by God's gracious approval and blessing, should be vigorously sustained. As these educational facilities are now so amply provided for the rising generation, so every encouragement should be given by the preachers of the Conference, to the members and friends of the church to avail themselves of advantages second in importance to religion alone. We should take pains to spread all proper information among the people, in regard to these Literary institutions. A high and liberal spirit should be cultivated. Persons of wealth should be encouraged to make provision in their wills, as well as during their life-time for the perpetuity of the educational enterprises, by which our beloved country, while moving on in the path of secular prosperity, may become great in the possession of a generation in which the virtues of religious character, and the cultivation of the mind and manners, may keep pace with improvement in outward circumstances. The cost of education will be repaid a thousand fold in the civil, social and religious advantages secured by it The golden fruitage will amply remunerate the tiller's toil.

The Committee beg to offer for adoption by the Conference, the following Resolutions :

Resolved, 1. That the members of the S. C. Conference regard with feelings of deep gratitude to God the success which has attended the educational enterprises of the Church, thus far ; and pledge themselves to a cordial support of the Literary Institutions patronized by the Conference.

Resolved, 2. That the Bishop presiding at the present session be, and he hereby is requested to re-appoint those members of the Conference who are at present connected with the Schools and Colleges.

Respectfully submitted,

W. M. WIGHTMAN, *Chairman.*

Charlotte, N. C., Dec. 1, 1857.

TRUSTEES OF WOFFORD COLLEGE.

H. A. C. Walker, Chairman; W. A Gamewell, Tracy R. Walsh, W. A. McSwain, Charles Betts, John R. Pickett, H. H. Durant, Simpson Bobo, Dr. J. W. T. Miller, Harvey Wofford, Dr. J. H. Dogan, G. W. Williams, and Robert Bryce.

TRUSTEES OF COKESBURY INSTITUTE.

W. M. Wightman, Chairman; F. A. Connor, Sec; H. A. C. Walker, W. A. Gamewell, H. H. Durant, N. Talley, S. Leard, R. J. Boyd, General Hodges, Charles Smith, H. A. Jones.

TRUSTEES OF SPARTANBURG FEMALE COLLEGE.

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Rev'ds N. Talley, W. Martin, W. Crook, W. A. Gamewell, R. J. Boyd, S. Leard, J. Stacy, C. Murchison, H. C. Parsons, C. H. Pritchard, S. Townsend, W. H. Fleming, J. T. Wightman, and Andrew Wallace, Robt. Bryce, Dr. John W. Parker, Hon. E. J. Arthur, Hon. J. S. Preston, Dr. A. N. Talley, Hon. Jas. D. Treadwell, W. W. Walker, Dr. John H. Boatwright, Col. Wm. Wallace, S. Olin Talley, R. D. Senn, and W. T. Caston, Esq.

TRUSTEES OF DAVENPORT FEMALE COLLEGE.

Prof. A. M. Shipp, P. F. Kistler, J. S. Ervin, A. G. Stacy, J. W. Kelly, and John Rutherford, Edmund Jones, James C. Harper, James Harper, S. P. Dula, Azor Shell.

VISITING COMMITTEES.

WOFFORD COLLEGE.—A. M. Shipp, F. A. Mood, J. T. Wightman.
COKESBURY INSTITUTE.—C. Murchison, A. G. Stacy, W. H. Lawton.

Carolina Female College.—W. Martin, E. J. Meynardie, J. T. Munds.
Spartanburg Female College.—J. W. Wightman, S. B. Jones, Miles Puckett.

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

W. M. Wightman, A. M. Shipp, Joseph Cross, James Stacy, T. R. Walsh.

CHURCH EXTENSION COMMITTEE.

W. M. Wightman, James Stacy, C. Betts, W. A. Gamewell, S. H. Browne.

COMMITTEES TO EXAMINE THE PROBATIONERS AND DEACONS ON THEIR APPOINTED COURSE OF STUDY.

First Year—T. Mitchell, John A. Mood, William E. Boone.
Second Year—C. H. Pritchard, Wm. H. Fleming, J. D. W. Crook.
Third Year—Paul A. M. Williams, John A. Porter, F. A. Mood.
Fourth Year—S. Leard, M. A. McKibben, D. J. Simmons.

A COURSE OF STUDY.

For the Itinerant Probationers and Deacons of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, to be uniformly observed in all the Annual Conferences, as provided for by the late General Conference.

First Year—The Bible as to *Doctrines*, with reference to Wesley's Notes, the Bible Dictionaries and Commentaries of our own publication; Concordance and Gaston's Collections of Sacred Scriptures, Wesley's Sermons, Fletcher's Appeal and Christian Perfection, English Grammar and Composition.

Second Year—The Bible as to *Ordinances* or *Sacraments*, Reference books the same as the first year. Watson's Life of Wesley, Bishop Watson's Apology, Fletcher's Christian Perfection, Methodist Discipline, Geography, Composition.

Third Year—The Bible as to *History* and *Chronology*. Reference books as before. The first and second parts of Watson's Institutes, Gregorie's Church History, Rhetoric, Written Essay, or Sermon.

Fourth Year—The Bible generally, reference books the same. The third and fourth parts of Watson's Institutes, Powell on Apostolical Succession, Old Christianity contrasted with the Novelties of Popery, by Gideon Ouseley, Logic, Written Essay, or Sermon.

The foregoing course is considered obligatory upon the several classes of candidates. The following is for such as have ability, time and inclination to accomplish more—on which, or any part of it, such only as desire it should be examined:

Miscellaneous Department.—The Bible continued, Fletcher's Checks, Life of Dr. Episcopius, Mosheim's Church History, Dr. Elliott on Romanism, D'Aubigne's History of the Reformation, Butler's Analogy, Natural Philosophy, Moral Philosophy, Civil History; and if any desire to proceed still further, they can include in their course other sciences and the dead languages, aided by the best authors, and such private instruction as may be within their reach.

RESOLUTIONS.

The following resolutions were passed at different times during the session:

Resolved, That the first Friday in April and September next be observed as days of FASTING AND PRAYER to Almighty God for a general revival of religion within the bounds of this Conference, for an increase of labourers in the vineyard, and his blessing upon our Literary Institutions. And that our people be requested to assemble on those days at their respective places of worship.

Resolved, That the Secretary be requested at least six weeks previous to each Fast Day to give notice of them in the Southern Christian Advocate.

Resolved, That this Conference is deeply impressed with the importance of some form of receiving members into the Church in order to secure uniformity in the administration of Discipline as well as for other purposes, and that we respectfully request the attention of the ensuing General Conference to this matter.

Resolved, That the Preachers of the several charges procure the Record Books lately published at Nashville, and that the Presiding Elders be requested to use their influence to have this resolution carried into effect.

Resolved, That we take up in all our circuits and stations during the month of March next, collections to defray the expenses of our Delegates to the ensuing General Conference, and the amounts so collected be handed to the Delegate most convenient, and that any surplus remaining after defraying said expenses be handed to the Treasurer of the Joint Board of Finance.

Resolved, That an earnest effort be made by all the Preachers of this Conference to secure donations the present Conference year for the benefit of Carolina Female College, and if deemed expedient to take up collections for the same purpose, and that all sums collected be either forwarded to Rev. T. R. Walsh, or brought to the ensuing Annual Conference.

Resolved, That this Conference earnestly request the Examining Committees for the ensuing year to be more thorough in their examinations. And that the Committee for the first year address a letter to each member of the class calling his attention to the Course of Study, the necessity of application, and of a punctual attendance before the Committee at the Annual Conference.

Resolved, That this Conference takes pleasure in expressing its high appreciation of the ability with which the Southern Christian Advocate has been edited and managed by our respected friend, Dr. E. H. Myers, and pledges itself to a sustained and earnest effort to make the paper the foremost now published by the M. E. Church, South.

Resolved, That we have learned with great satisfaction that the Rev. W. M. Wightman, D. D., has consented at the special request of the family of the late Bishop Capers, to write the life of our honoured and deceased friend, so long a member of this Conference.

Resolved, 2. That we hereby heartily approve of this selection, and take